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To/Attn: Navy Inspector General's office Finance  
 Fax: (703)614-7089

From: [REDACTED] b6 b7c

Fax: (757)518-1679

Date: 5/12/2014

Number of Pages (including cover) 11

Regarding: [REDACTED] b6 b7c

Urgent \_\_\_\_\_ Reply Needed   X    
 For Review \_\_\_\_\_ Confidential \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

For the review of the Navy- Inspector General's office.

Thank you,

[REDACTED] b6 b7c

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**United States Senate**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4607

May 12, 2014

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Director, Senate Liaison Office  
Department of the Navy  
182 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Dear

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Enclosed is correspondence from my constituent, [REDACTED] b6 b7c, in reference to an issue he has encountered involving the Department of the Navy.

[REDACTED] b6 b7c is requesting that his case number 201201692 be forwarded to the Department of Defense for final adjudication and approval. Your immediate attention and assistance with the concerns expressed in this case would be greatly appreciated.

I would also appreciate being provided a response that I may forward to [REDACTED] b6 b7c explaining the status of his request. Please respond to my Staff Assistant, [REDACTED] b6 b7c at 222 Central Park Avenue, Suite 120, Virginia Beach, VA 23462. You may also reach [REDACTED] b6 b7c by phone at (757) 518-1674 or by e-mail at: [REDACTED] b6 b7c @kaine.senate.gov.

Thank you for your assistance to my constituent.

Sincerely,

  
Tim Kaine

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4801

Our team may be able to answer basic questions over the phone; however, if your situation requires further investigation, a specialist may open a case and initiate a congressional inquiry on your behalf. The Privacy Act of 1974 requires congressional offices to obtain written permission from an individual before a federal agency can release any specific information to the Senator. If you would like to request help, please complete the following Privacy Release Authorization and return it to our Richmond office as directed below. Family members, friends or other interested parties generally may not authorize the release of information on your behalf. As soon as I receive this form, I will be pleased to do everything I can to provide assistance to you.

Timothy M. Kaine  
United States Senate

## PRIVACY RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

Federal Agency Involved\*: US NAVY INSPECTOR GENERAL

Briefly describe your situation: (use additional page if needed)

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER.

I hereby request the assistance of the Office of Senator Tim Kaine to resolve the matter described above and authorize Senator Kaine or his staff to receive any information that may be needed to provide this assistance. The information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. The assistance I have requested from Senator Kaine is in no way an attempt to violate any federal/state or local law.

Full Name (please print) & Date of Birth\*

Signature\*

Address\*

Date

City, State, Zip\*

Phone Number (including area code)

Email address (if available)

Social Security Number\*

Account/Claim Number\*

\*Required Information

While we are happy to work on your behalf, we typically avoid opening a constituent case that is currently being handled by another Senator or House member as this may cause delays in resolution. Do you currently have an open case for the matter described above with another U. S. Senator or Representative?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please provide the members name

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

Senator Tim Kaine  
ATTN: Constituent Services  
919 E. Main Street, 970  
Richmond, VA 23219

OR

Fax (804) 771-8313  
ATTN: Constituent Services

30 April 2014

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Dear Senator Kaine,

I am writing you because my promotion to Lieutenant Commander is in danger of being wrongfully withheld due to potentially unjust Navy Inspector General practices. I respectfully request your assistance in forwarding case number 201201692 from the Navy Inspector General's office to the Department of Defense Inspector General's office for final adjudication and approval.

I am a Virginia resident, and I have been an active duty Naval Officer since [b6 b7c]. I am on my fourth overseas deployment, serving as the [b6 b7c] Naval Expeditionary Task Group Europe and Africa (CTG [b6 b7c]). I am privileged to lead a talented group of highly trained Sailors who provide security onboard Naval aircraft and cargo ships to various countries in Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

My [b6 b7c] is also an active duty Naval Officer. While we are not currently stationed in Virginia, we have owned a home in Norfolk since [b6 b7c] and my parents and extended family have lived in [b6 b7c] for over 30 years.

I was thrilled last July when I was selected for promotion to Lieutenant Commander, with a promotion date of September 2014. Soon after, I was informed that my promotion would be withheld until Inspector General case number 201201692 was finalized by the Department of Defense Inspector General's office. A former subordinate of mine, who falsely accused me of taking reprisal against her by writing a negative periodic performance evaluation, opened the case in 2012. The evaluation in question was simply honest documentation of her substandard level of performance and military bearing, provided at the appropriate annually scheduled time. When I was informed of the complaint, I cooperated fully with the investigator from the Pacific Fleet Inspector General's office. I provided a comprehensive statement, as well as over 20 pages of disciplinary paperwork which documenting my accuser's pattern of misconduct.

The investigator submitted her report, recommending that I be exonerated of any wrongdoing, to the Navy Inspector General's office on 23 January 2013. It has since languished in the Navy Inspector General's Office for nearly a year and a half. My Commanding Officer, whose endorsement of my promotion is enclosed, has made numerous attempts to discover the status of my case, to no avail. The lack of transparency concerning a matter of critical importance to my Naval career demonstrates a lack of accountability on behalf of the Navy Inspector General's office and calls into question the timeliness of the due process, which I am owed. The Navy has essentially taken a "guilty until proven innocent" stance by potentially allowing a false accusation from a Third Class Petty Officer with documented, continued substandard performance to interrupt the career of a decorated Officer with documented, sustained superior performance. While my scheduled promotion date is several months away, the pace at which the process has moved leaves me with substantial doubt that it will be resolved in time.

In appreciation for your assistance, apart from being your loyal supporter, I pledge to continue to honestly and faithfully serve our country as long as I am allowed. I can be reached by email at b6 b7c @eu.navy.mil or b6 b7c @navy.mil, or by telephone at b6 b7c. Thank you for serving on the Subcommittee on Seapower, and thank you for taking the time to consider helping me continue my Naval career.

Very Respectfully,

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LT USN

Enclosures:

- (1) Professional Biography
- (2) Previous Fitness Reports
- (3) Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal Citation
- (4) Commanding Officer's Promotion Endorsement
- (5) Timeline of events